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habitual consumer of wines and spirits, while another may be an abstainer, but that ought to make no difference to the value of his labour, or if it does the advantage is likely to be with the abstainer. Any attempt to enforce abstinence adjustments and to render the abstinence independent of those fluctuations in the value of the precious metals by which every one else is affected must lead to magnitude and absurd distinctions. Some years ago the conclusion was arrived at that the Civil Service of Hong Kong was underpaid and an increase of salaries was therefore given, which was entirely logical and proper proceeding if the promise was granted; and as at the present time, if for any reason existing salaries have become insufficient they ought to be increased, but as Sir CHARLES MITCHELL says, there should be no question of fixing a gold value for the dollar. If a man domiciled in Hong Kong renders services equivalent to those rendered by a man domiciled in England, there can be no good reason for placing him at a disadvantage in regard to his emoluments because he happens to have been born in the colony and regards it as his home.

The British ship *Drumhead* has been purchased by a syndicate at Shanghai.

The troopship *Warren Hastings*, with the *Rio de Janeiro*, arrived at Shanghai on Saturday night.

The British sailing vessel *Comet*, which was bound from Shanghai to Chefoo with rice, has gone on shore to the west of the South-east Promontory.

Mr. Sangster's next Oram Reel will be given this week (Christmas Eve) in the theatre. The programme will be varied, and probably some Christmas carols will be sung on the occasion.

It is stated by the *N. C. Daily News* that the Chinese officials in the North are engaging foreign firms to supply them with military equipment, and by no means to purchase what they need from the local market.

Some two thousand men, newly raised in Anhui province, by the agents of H. E. L. (Lian-cheng), Viceroy of the two Kwangs, are reported to be on their way overland to Canton. These thousands are shortly to follow for the same destination to reinforce the Viceroy's troops there.

The meeting of the Legislative Council summoned for this afternoon will be held at 2.30 p.m. instead of at 3 p.m. as previously intimated. The following Bill has been added to the orders of the day:—Draft Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend "The Cattle Diseases, Slaughter Houses, and Markets Ordinance 1897" (second reading).

On Friday evening the departing members of the Christian Endeavour Class belonging to the L.L.I. presented Mr. Williams with a set of pocket pens and a very handsome silver case, which they had purchased for him. The case was presented to him by the members of the Christian Endeavour Class, as a token of their affection for him. Mr. Williams, who has been in Hong Kong for some time, is very popular and his departure will be a great loss to the colony.

The Tangshing correspondent of the *Chiao Chiao* writes that the Chinese authorities have asked for eighteen regiments of troops to defend the place. This request has been made in view of the fact that the foreigner residing at Tangshing on the coast is being threatened by a band of robbers. An attempt is being made to fortify the North Hill, which commands both the city and the harbour.

The following returns of the average amount of Bank notes in circulation and of specie in the hands of the public in Hong Kong for the month of November, 1894, are published:—

	Banknotes	Specie
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China	1,168,057	890,000
Bank of China	1,168,057	890,000
Banking Corporation	5,318,137	2,000,000
Total	\$2,470,094	\$3,780,000

In response to secret instructions of the Viceroy Chang, at Nanking, the children of the Nanking district of Nankai (Nagasaki) have been ordered to leave the city and to return to their homes in Japan. It is said that the reason for this was that the children were being used by the Japanese to spread propaganda in the city.

According to the Shanghai native papers, Chang Tsi-tung has been making many changes in the officers in charge of the defence of the city. He has appointed a new officer in charge of the city's defence, and has also appointed a new officer in charge of the city's police. These changes are believed to be part of a general reorganization of the city's defence and police forces.

By a decree of the 6th inst. Kang Yi, Governor of Kwangtung, who went up to Peking last September, being one of the high provincial officers who accompanied the Viceroy, has been appointed to the post of Viceroy of the province. He is a native of the province and has been in the service of the Government for many years.

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The stamp revenue last month amounted to \$178,400, being an increase of \$1,000 on the corresponding month of the previous year. Of the total amount \$4,334 is accounted for under the head of profits.

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